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SUBJECT:PROPOSED EGYPTIAN GIFT FOR KENNEDY CENTER

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1. SMITHSONIAN OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS (OIEP) ASCERTAINED FROM OFFICE OF ROGER L. STEVENS, CHAIRMAN OF KENNEDY CENTER, THAT EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR GHORBAL HAD SPOKEN TO STEVENS AND TO CARTER BROWN (OF KENNEDY CENTER FINE ARTS ACCESSIONS COMMITTEE AND DIRECTOR, NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART) ABOUT POSSIBLE GIFT OF ALABASTER VASE. BROWN WAS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT VASE AND WISHES TO BRING OFFER BEFORE ACCESSIONS COMMITTEE, WHICH IS A REQUIRED STEP IN SUCH CASES.
2. KENNEDY CENTER ASSURED SMITHSONIAN THAT THEY WOULD CALL COUNSELOR OF EGYPTIAN EMBASSY, ABDEL-WAHAB, AND REQUEST PHOTOGRAPHS OF VASE NEEDED FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER TO ACCESSIONS COMMITTEE.
3. EMBASSY MAY INFORM MOKHTAR THAT DELAY IN RESPONSE REGRETTED, AND THAT KENNEDY CENTER HAD APPARENTLY CONSIDERED THAT GHORBAL'S DISCUSSIONS WERE PRELIMINARY AND FORMAL OFFER WOULD FOLLOW. KENNEDY CENTER WILL NOW, UNCLASSIFIED

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